

SENATE BILL 505

By Southerland

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68,
Chapter 105, relative to blasting and explosives.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-105-102, is amended by deleting subdivision (13) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(13) "Handler" means a person qualified by reason of training, knowledge, experience and registration to accept custody and possession of explosives in the course of the person's employment duties;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-105-106(b), is amended by deleting the subdivision (2) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(2) A Tennessee handler's registration or a blasters registration, or alternatively a license issued by another state or jurisdiction; provided that the applicant for registration based on a license issued by such other state or jurisdiction has possessed such licensure for at least one (1) year next preceding application for registration in this state; and

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-105-106, is amended by deleting subsection (c) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(c) No person shall be eligible for registration as a blaster or limited blaster who is not at least twenty-one (21) years of age. No person shall be eligible for registration as a handler who is not at least eighteen (18) years of age.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-105-109(d), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subsection:

However, any action to collect any such civil penalty must be initiated within one (1) year of the alleged violation.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect January 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.